

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 191

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize February 23, 2005, as TEXAS Grant Day at the Capitol; and

WHEREAS, Legislation for the TEXAS Grant Program was enacted in 1999 with the goal of providing thousands of Texas high school students the opportunity to attend college, thus helping them to better meet the challenges of the 21st century; and

WHEREAS, This program helps to do for Texas what such historic legislation as the GI Bill has done for the nation; a HOPE Scholarship program, it is helping to create a highly educated and skilled generation of young people who may not otherwise have attended college due to financial limitations; and

WHEREAS, Producing more college graduates has become a necessity, as a college education has become a vital ingredient for professional and economic success in our society; and

WHEREAS, The TEXAS Grant Program has already contributed to the betterment of our state by aiding 115,000 of its students with funds approaching \$500 million for their education and enrichment; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, hereby express appreciation for the creation of this innovative program; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared in honor of the TEXAS Grant Program.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 21, 2005.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate